

PRESENT: Patricia Finder-Stone, Bev Bartlett, Deborah Lundberg, Mary Johnson, Linda Mamrosh, Randy Johnson, Tom Smith, Sam Warpinski, Eileen Littig, Dennis Rader, Megan Borchardt

EXCUSED: Arlie Doxtater, Mary Derginer, Amy Payne

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Laurie Ropson, Devon Christianson, Kristin Willems, Kimberly Gould, Holly Kinnard, Allyson Crass, Denise Misovec

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Finder-Stone at 8:30 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

INTRODUCTIONS:

ADOPTIONS OF AGENDA:

Ms. Johnson/Ms. Lundberg moved to adopt the amended agenda. **MOTION CARRIED.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 28, 2019:

Mr. Smith/Mr. Warpinski moved to approve the minutes for the February 28, 2019 Meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

FINANCE REPORT:

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 2019 FINANCE REPORT:

Ms. Bowers referred to the February, 2019 Financial Highlights and ADRC Summary Report to demonstrate the expenses and revenues for February 2019.

Ms. Johnson/Supervisor Borchardt moved to approve February, 2019 Financial Highlights, ADRC Summary. **MOTION CARRIED.**

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF NET ASSET REPORT FOR 2018:

Ms. Bowers referred to the net asset report for 2018.

- MA claiming dollars came in below budget
- There was an unanticipated increase in funding for ADRC side, Nursing Home Relocation, Dementia Care Specialist than budgeted
- Budgeted for 135,000 meals, served 136,119 in 2018
- 2018 experienced greater expenses than revenues as the ADRC planned for and was required to use Net Assets that included the transportation trust transferred to Brown County Planning and also for HVAC project for 331 S. Adams.
- In 2018 the ADRC generated greater revenues than expected to cover more than the anticipated expense deficit.

Ms. Bowers again referred to the preliminary 2018 net asset report to explain each category of ADRC net assets.

Ms. Christianson reviewed the Net Asset policy.

Mr. Rader/Ms. Littig moved to approve the 2018 Net Asset Report. **MOTION CARRIED.**

EXECUTIVE & FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Ms. Finder-Stone reviewed the draft minutes from the March 12, 2019 Executive & Finance Committee meeting regarding the complaint of the ADRC's discontinuation of the Bingo programming. The Executive & Finance Committee recommends that the ADRC Board of Directors uphold the ADRC's decision to discontinue the Bingo program. Ms. Littig and Mr. Rader said they felt that the staff was very respectful in their handling of issues from the Bingo program and compliment staff for taking the high ground against bullying. Mr. Johnson believes the board's role; in addition to making sure that ADRC customers receive quality service in a respectful way, is also to support and protect ADRC staff from bullying. Mr. Johnson shared that this issue comes down to bullying issue and not the value of the Bingo program. Ms. Bartlett referred to the ADRC Code of Conduct and supports the decision the ADRC made to support that document. Additional conversation ensued.

Mr. Johnson/Mr. Smith moved to uphold the ADRC decision to discontinue the BINGO programming. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Ms. Littig/Ms. Bartlett moved to approve ADRC written response to customers that brought forward the complaint regarding the discontinuation of Bingo programming and also to adapt the ADRC Code of Conduct to include "Bullying of, and demeaning behavior of any individual or group will not be tolerated". **MOTION CARRIED.**

DIRECTORS REPORT:

A. AGING SELF-ASSESSMENT APPROVAL:

Ms. Christianson referred to the Aging Self-Assessment. She explained that GWAAR requires this annual assessment of progress and performance on set goals from 2018. 2018 is the closure of the last 3 year plan. Ms. Christianson shared a couple of highlights from 2018:

- 219 % increase in rural specialized transportation trips from 2017 to 2018.
- A celebration including the Brown County Executive at the ADRC for fostering dementia awareness and increasing the number of downtown businesses that are Purple Angel certified.

The Board of Directors congratulated the ADRC on the many successes and meeting ambitious goals in 2018.

Mr. Smith/Ms. Johnson moved to approve the Aging Self-Assessment. **MOTION CARRIED.**

B. Disability Rights Wisconsin (DRW) LISTENING SESSION:

Ms. Christianson explained that Disability Rights of Wisconsin conducted a listening session at the ADRC for people to share their challenges and concerns with DRW as they shape their annual goals. Ms. Christianson provided a review of what she heard at the session including:

- Families shared issues around bullying- concerns about schools not arming children with tools and knowledge not to continue bullying into adulthood.
- Transportation accessibility and expense to get to work.
- Affordable housing
- Access to mental health services
- Eligibility for other programs

Ms. Christianson shared that the same topics were discussed as have been principle issues for many years.

C. ADRC FUNDING AND BUDGET:

Ms. Christianson wanted to make the board aware of 3 potential budget challenges with funding that may come in the future including:

- GWAAR is working to complete a reallocation of Older Americans Act funding dollars. Ms. Christianson shared the ADRC is anticipating a possible 5% reduction.
- On ADRC side of funding, there is also a reallocation initiative in the works. Ms. Christianson shared that the ADRC is also anticipating a reduction. Ms. Christianson stated the specific funding information should be available in mid-May 2019 and she is in communication with the Office of Resource Center Development regarding the proposed formula.
- Nursing Home Relocation program will no longer be funded in 2020.

Ms. Christianson may call upon the Board of Directors in short order to help with some advocacy support.

D. MAY 1ST PRESS EVENT AND AGEISM PRESENTATION:

On May 1st at 9:00 am, there will be a press event at ADRC celebrating the prevention work that Brown County partners have been doing that focus on health and wellness. Troy Streckenbach will be a featured speaker. Betsy Abrahamson from WIHAA will also be present and will have a presentation on ageism to follow.

STAFF REPORT-KIMBERLY GOULD NUTRITION PROGRAM:

Ms. Gould shared the Nutrition unit's mission and vision and shared statistics from 2018, including number of meals served, the number of people served and recognized the efforts of over 200 volunteers to make it all possible. Ms. Gould also shared accomplishments, goals and outcomes from 2018 to include:

- Expanded daily alternate entrée option to all congregate dining sites, except Curative due to construction. Along with this, revitalizing menu offerings.
- Continued collaboration with Master Gardeners to grow produce in raised bed gardens at 331 with all 75 lbs. of produce being used in the Grounded Café.

Ms. Gould also shared challenges from 2018:

- Changes in congregate dining at Badger Terrace, Denmark and Pulaski
- Meeting homebound meal needs in all areas of Brown County
- Turnover at Aramark

Ms. Gould shared that goals in 2019 include:

- Make nutrition education programs accessible online
- Serve meals in new locations paired with an educational presentation
- Make frozen meals available on weekends to high risk customers

In addition, Ms. Gould added that the homebound Meal Program was also chosen by NBC26 as a recipient for the 3 Degree Guarantee Program for April. If the temperature they predict each day is within 3 degrees, they will donate \$100/day to the Home Delivered Meal program.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES:

Ms. Finder-Stone advised that legislation is being introduced that would lower fines for abuse on nursing homes. Ms. Christianson said that the governor will be appointing a Caregiver Task Force and hopefully they will be able to generate ideas on how to address the caregiver shortage.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ms. Christianson mentioned that ADRC will be doing a bus trip for the Aging Advocacy Day in Madison on May 14, 2019 if anyone would like to sign up.

Ms. Giesen mentioned the Caregiver Coalition, in partnership with Proko Wall, is bringing in a national speaker for both informal and professional caregivers. Respite will be offered for those needing it.

NEXT MEETING – ADRC- 300 S. Adams St. April 25, 2019 at 8:30 AM.

ADJOURN:

Mr. Smith/Mr. Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristin Willems,
Administrative Services Coordinator